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years, had with gentle courtesy purished over the daily domestic affairs at "Oaklands."

Marriage to Miss Allen.
In the year 1851 a happy marriage is contracted by Colonel Watts, in the year to "Oaklands" as its stress an accomplished daughter of e distinguished jurist. John J. Allen, en and for many years after the esident of the Virginia Supreme purt of Appeals. There was born to its marriage a son, John Allen Watts, ho himself became a lawyer of disnoction, and whose death not many ears ago in the maturity of his manood was a distinct loss to the city and county of Roanoke, but concerning him it is not necessary to make pecial mention at this time, owing to he fact that other records of this court bear witness to his character as a man and his ability as a lawyer.

A Kind Master.

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family of that name in Alexandria many years ago. Possibly some one may know something of their history. I have wondered at not seeing anything of the Meriwether family in your columns. Nearly all of the early settlers have been written up. They must have settled in Virginia early 1600. Can you ask something of the history of these two families, and oblige A READER.

Can anybedy give us anything of the Piersons?

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